

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-10 of the originally filed application are hereby canceled and newly added Claims 11-19 are presented for examination.

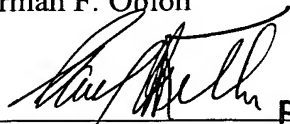
The newly presented claims comply with U.S. patent practice by deleting the multiple claim dependencies present in the original claims. The nine (9) claims of the Preliminary Amendment filed on June 2, 2006, sought to effect this change but the undersigned did not realize that the amended claims would need to be renumbered. The nine (9) claims of this Amendment are, in fact, identical to the nine (9) claims of the prior Amendment except that they have been renumbered 11-19. It is submitted that these claims embrace comparable subject matter as the original claims.

As stated previously, no new matter is believed to have been added.

Accordingly, an action on the merits and allowance of the claims is earnestly solicited.

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